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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth the measurements, if met by the applicable AT&T Inc. (AT&T) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC), that would be deemed sufficient to demonstrate the provision of non-discriminatory access to AT&T OHIO's (as the case may be) Operations Support Systems (OSS) and each of the five recognized OSS functions (Pre-Ordering, Ordering, Provisioning, Maintenance and Repair, and Billing).
- 1.2 **AT&T Inc. (AT&T)** means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a AT&T Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Michigan, Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Nevada, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Ohio, Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T California, The Southern New England Telephone Company, Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a AT&T Arkansas, AT&T Kansas, AT&T Missouri, AT&T Oklahoma and/or AT&T Texas and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Wisconsin.
- 1.3 **AT&T OHIO** - As used herein, AT&T OHIO means The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Ohio, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC doing business in Ohio.
- 1.4 As used herein, Service Bureau Provider means a company which has been engaged by a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) to act as its agent for purposes of accessing AT&T-owned ILEC's OSS application-to-application interfaces.
- 1.5 As used herein, in Ohio, Merger Conditions shall mean those conditions related to the AT&T/Ameritech merger ordered under the Public Utility Commission of Ohio Stipulation And Recommendation Case number 98-1082-TP-AMT.
- 1.6 As used herein, Collaborative Process shall mean the performance measurement collaborative process established pursuant to the Merger Conditions.
- 1.7 The performance measurements contained herein, notwithstanding any provisions in any other appendix in this Agreement, are not intended to create, modify or otherwise affect any party's rights and obligations. Neither the existence of any particular performance measure, nor the language describing that measure, shall constitute evidence that any CLEC is entitled to any particular manner of access, nor is it evidence that AT&T OHIO is limited in the manner by which it may provide any particular manner of access. The parties agree that each and every of the CLEC's rights and obligations to such access are defined other than in this Appendix, such as, for example, relevant laws, FCC and state commission decisions/regulations, tariffs, and the interconnection agreement to which this Appendix is attached.
- 1.8 The measurement data herein shall be collected, reported and used to calculate Remedy Payments or penalties on a per CLEC operating entity basis. The results of multiple CLEC affiliates shall not be combined for any purpose under this Appendix.

2. RESULTS OF COLLABORATIVE PROCESS

- 2.1 The parties agree that the performance measurements, remedy plans and Business Rules as set forth in the Merger Conditions and developed under the Collaborative Process, shall be incorporated, when finalized, into this Agreement by reference. The parties agree to accept and abide by the Performance Measurement Remedy Plan and Schedule, and the state-specific Business Rules, as posted on AT&T's Internet website.
- 2.2 The parties agree that performance measurements, remedies and Business Rules may be revised through the Collaborative Process, and the parties agree to incorporate such changes that are voluntarily agreed to by all parties to the Collaborative Process when finalized. In the event a party disputes the adoption of a proposed revision from the Collaborative Process, the party seeking such adoption may raise the issue with

the state Commission for resolution. Until a final state Commission order resolving the issue is effective, the parties agree to abide by the performance measures, remedy plans and Business Rules implemented by AT&T in response to the Collaborative Process as then posted on AT&T's Internet website. Each party reserves its rights, notwithstanding anything to the contrary, to seek appropriate legal and/or equitable review and relief from such state Commission order, and compliance with and implementation of any such order shall not represent a voluntary or negotiated agreement under Section 252 of the Act or otherwise, and does not in any way constitute a waiver by such party of its position with respect to such order, or of any rights and remedies it may have to seek review of such order or otherwise contest the applicability of the performance measures and remedy plan.

- 2.3 In addition to the exclusions described in the performance measures and remedy plans developed within the Collaborative Process, AT&T OHIO shall not be obligated to pay Remedy Payments for noncompliance with a performance measurement to the extent that such noncompliance was the result of delays or other problems resulting from actions of a Service Provider Bureau Provider acting as CLEC's agent for connection to AT&T-owned ILEC's OSS, including Service Bureau Provider provided processes, services, systems or connectivity.